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In the application of:

Suresh K. MITTAL et al.

Serial No.:

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For:

RECOMBINANT PROTEIN PRODUCTION IN BOVINE

ADENOVIRUS EXPRESSION VECTOR

SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Patent Application Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The above-referenced application is a continuation under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/435,242. Prior to examination on the merits, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be considered and entered.

AMENDMENTS

In the specification:

At page 1, after the title, please add the following new paragraph

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/435,242, filed November 5, 1999; which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/815,927, filed March 13, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,086,890; which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/164,292, filed December 9, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,820,868, all of which are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety. --

In the drawings:

Please delete Figure 4 and insert new Figures 4A-4B enclosed with the letter to the Official Draftsperson filed herewith.

REMARKS

The present application is a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/435,242; filed on November 5, 1999 which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/815,927, filed March 13, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,086,890; which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/164,292, filed December 9, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,820,868.

Amendment to Figure 4

Figure 4 is amended to correct position 77 of the BAV3 sequence from "Lys" to --Ser-and to show a line between this Ser and the Ser of the Ad5 sequence. A "Letter to Official Draftsman and Amendment of Drawing Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(a)(3)," including a copy of Figure 4 showing the correction required and substitute Figures 4A-4B which include the correction, is filed herewith. Support for the amendment is found in Figure 1 as filed, which shows Ser at position 2080. Accordingly, no new matter is added by this amendment of Figure 4.

Concerning Sequence Listing

Applicants respectfully request that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office use the Paper and Computer Readable Form of the Sequence Listing as filed in the parent application, U.S.S.N. 09/435,242 for the present application.

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), the undersigned hereby states that the paper copy of the Sequence Listing is identical to the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing as submitted in the parent application (U.S.S.N. 09/435,242).

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification by the current amendment with additions underlined and deletions bracketed. The attached pages are captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE".

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request consideration and entry of the amendment to Figure 4. Any questions regarding the aforementioned amendments can be directed to the undersigned.

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In the specification:

On page 1, following the new title, a new paragraph has been added entitled "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS".

AGS	120	GinlystyrseriteGluGinLeutnrtnrtyrTrpLeuGinProGlyAspAspPneGlu
*BAV3	74	GluargtyrbygPheGluAspIleLysSerTyrGluAlaLeuProGluAspAsnLeuGlu
170		GluAlaIleArqValTyrAlaLysValAlaLeuArgProAspCysLysTyrLysIleSer
94 -	-	GinLauTleAlaHetHisAlaLysIleLysLauLauProGlyArgGluTyrGluLauThr
190		LysLouValAsnIleArgAsnCysCysTyrIleSerGlyAsnGlyAlaGluValGluIle
114		GlnProLeuAsnTleThrSerCysAlaTyrVelLeuGlyAsnGlyAlaThrIleArgVel
210		AspThrGluAspArgValAlaPheArgCysSerMetIleAsnMetTrpProGlyValLeu
134		ThrGlyGluAlaSerProAlaIleArgValGlyAlaMetAlaValGlyProCysValThr
230		GlyNetAspGlyValValIleMetAsnValArgPheThr GlyProAsnPheSerGly
154		GlyMetThrGlyVelThrPheVelAsnCysArgPheGluArgGluSerThrIleArgGly
249		ThrValPheLeuAlaAsnThrAsnLeuIleLeuHisGlyValSerPheTyr GlyPhe
174		SerLeuIleArgAlaSerThrHisValLeuPheHisGlyCys TyrPheMetGlyIle
268		AsnAsnThrCysValGluAlaTrpThrAspValArgValArgGlyCysAlaPheTyrCys
193		MetGlyThrCysIleGluValGlyAlaGlyAlaTyrIleArgGlyCysGluPheValGly
288		CysTrpLysGlyValValCysArgProLysSerArgAla SerIleLysLysCysLeu
213		CystyrArgGlyIle CysSerthrSerAsnArgAspIleLysValArgGlnCysAsn
307		PheGluArgCysThrLeuGlyIleLeuSerGluGlyAsnSerArgValArgHisAsnVal
232		PheAspLysCysLeuLeuGlyIleThrCysLysGlyAspTyrArgLeuSerGlyAsnVal
327		AlaSerAspCysGlyCysPheMetLeuValLysSerValAlaVallleLysHisAsnMet
252		CysSerGluThrPheCysPheAlaHisLeuGluGlyGluGlyLeuValLysAsnAsnThr
347		Val CysGlyAsn CysGluAspArgAlaSerGlnMetLeuThrCysSerAsp
272		ValLysSerProSerArgTrpThrSerGluSerGlyPheSerNetIleThrCysAlaAsp
364		GlyAsnCysHisLeuLeuLysThrIleHisVal AlaSerHisSerArgLysAlaTrp
292		GlyArgValThrProLeuGlySerLeuHislleValGlyAsnArgCysArgArg Trp
383		ProValPheGluHisAsnIleLeuThrArgCysSerLeuHisLeuGlyAsnArgArgGly
311		ProThrMetGlnGlyAsnValPhelleMetSerLysLeuTyrLeuGlyAsnArgTleGly
403		ValPheLeuProTyrGlnCysAsnLeuSerHisThrLysIleLeuLeuGluProGlu
331		ThrVàlAlaLèuPro GinCysAlaPheTyrLysSerSerTieCysLèuGluGluArg
422		SerMetSerLysValAsnLeuAsnGlyValPheAspMetThrMetLysIleTrpLysVal
350	•	AlaThrAsnLysLeuValLeuAlaCysAlaPheGluAsnAsnValLeuValTyrLysVal
442	;	LeuArgTyrAspGluThrArgThrArgCysArgProCysGluCysGlyGlyLysHislle
370	•	LeuArgArgGluSerProSerThr VelLysMetCysValCysGlyThrSerHisTyr
462	•	ArgAsnGlnProValMetLeuAspVal ThrGluGluLeuArgProAspHisLeuVal
369		AleLysProLeuThrLeuAleIleIleSerSerAspIleArgAleAsnArgTyrHec
481		LeuAlaCysThrArgAlaGluPheGlySerSerAspGluAspThrAspZnd
408		TurThrVallenSerThrGluPhe ThrSerEenGluEerFnd

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Ad5 150	GlnLysTyrSerIleGluGlnLeuThrThrTyrTrpLeuGlnProGlyAspAspPheGlu :
BAV3 74	GluArgTyrSerPheGluAspIleLysSerTyrGluAlaLeuProGluAspAsnLeuGlu
170	GluAlaIleArgValTyrAlaLysValAlaLeuArgProAspCysLysTyrLysIleSer
94	GlnLeuIleAlaMetHisAlaLysIleLysLeuLeuProGlyArgGluTyrGluLeuThr
190	LysLeuValAsnIleArgAsnCysCysTyrIleSerGlyAsnGlyAlaGluValGluIle
114	GInProLeuAsnIleThrSerCysAlaTyrValLeuGlyAsnGlyAlaThrIleArgVal
210	AspThrGluAspArgValAlaPheArgCysSerMetIleAsnMetTrpProGlyValLeu
134	ThrGlyGluAlaSerProAlaIleArgValGlyAlaMetAlaValGlyProCysValThr
230	GlyMetAspGlyValValIleMetAsnValArgPheThr GlyProAsnPheSerGly
154	GlyMetThrGlyValThrPheValAsnCysArgPheGluArgGluSerThrIleArgGly
249	ThrValPheLeuAlaAsnThrAsnLeuIleLeuHisGlyValSerPheTyr GlyPhe
249174	ThrValPheLeuAlaAsnThrAsnLeuIleLeuHisGlyValSerPheTyr GlyPhe::: :: SerLeuIleArgAlaSerThrHisValLeuPheHisGlyCys TyrPheMetGlyIle
174	:: :: :: SerLeuIleArgAlaSerThrHisValLeuPheHisGlyCys TyrPheMetGlyIle
174 268	:: :: :: SerLeuIleArgAlaSerThrHisValLeuPheHisGlyCys TyrPheMetGlyIle AsnAsnThrCysValGluAlaTrpThrAspValArgValArgGlyCysAlaPheTyrCys :
174268193	:: :: :: SerLeuIleArgAlaSerThrHisValLeuPheHisGlyCys TyrPheMetGlyIle AsnAsnThrCysValGluAlaTrpThrAspValArgValArgGlyCysAlaPheTyrCys : MetGlyThrCysIleGluValGlyAlaGlyAlaTyrIleArgGlyCysGluPheValGly
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174 268 193 288 213	<pre>:: :: :: :: </pre>
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347	Val CysGlyAsn CysGluAspArgAlaSerGlnMetLeuThrCysSerAsp : : :
272	ValLysSerProSerArgTrpThrSerGluSerGlyPheSerMetIleThrCysAlaAsp
364	GlyAsnCysHisLeuLeuLysThrIleHisVal AlaSerHisSerArgLysAlaTrp
292	GlyArgValThrProLeuGlySerLeuHisIleValGlyAsnArgCysArgArg Trp
383	ProValPheGluHisAsnIleLeuHisArgCysSerLeuHisLeuGlyAsnArgArgGly
311	ProThrMetG1nG1yAsnVa1PheI1eMetSerLysLeuTyrLeuG1yAsnArgI1eG1y
403	ValPheLeuProTyrGlnCysAsnLeuSerHisThrLysIleLeuLeuGluProGlu
331	ThrValAlaLeuPro GinCysAlaPheTyrLysSerSerIleCysLeuGluGluArg
422	SerMetSerLysValAsnLeuAsnGlyValPheAspMetThrMetLysIleTrpLysVal
350	AlaThrAsnLysLeuValLeuAlaCysAlaPheGluAsnAsnValLeuValTyrLysVal
442	LeuArgTyrAspGluThrArgThrArgCysArgProCysGluCysGlyGlyLysHisIle
370	LeuArgArgGluSerProSerThr ValLysMetCysValCysGlyThrSerHisTyr
462	ArgAsnGlnProValMetLeuAspVal ThrGluGluLeuArgProAspHisLeuVal
389	AlaLysProLeuThrLeuAlaIleIleSerSerAspIleArgAlaAsnArgTyrMet
481	LeuAlaCysHisArgAlaGluPheGlySerSerAspGluAspThrAspEnd
408	TyrThrValAspSerThrGluPhe ThrSerAspGluAspEnd